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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

4:25-mj-0219

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

24-20640

v.

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT

D-1 LUIS DANIEL ZAMORA,  
D-2 JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ,  
D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ,  
also known as "Tony Cardenas,"  
D-4 HAI WU,  
D-5 HE HUANG,  
D-6 XIANGLIN WANG,  
D-7 TAO CHEN,  
D-8 MARVIN GREGORY, and  
D-9 COREY WARD,

Violations:

18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)  
18 U.S.C. § 1956(h)  
18 U.S.C. § 1957  
21 U.S.C. § 841(a)

Defendants.

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**FIRST SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT**

The Grand Jury charges that:

**COUNT ONE**

(18 U.S.C. §1956(h)- Conspiracy to Launder  
Monetary Instruments)

D-1 LUIS DANIEL ZAMORA  
D-2 JUAN SANCHEZ ALCAZAR  
D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ  
a/k/a “Tony Cardenas”  
D-4 HAI WU  
D-5 HE HUANG  
D-6 XIANGLIN WANG  
D-7 TAO CHEN  
D-8 MARVIN GREGORY  
D-9 COREY WARD

From on or about November 15, 2019, through on or about  
December 21, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan and  
elsewhere, the defendants, LUIS DANIEL ZAMORA, JUAN  
SANCHEZ ALCARAZ, HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony  
Cardenas,” HAI WU, HE HUANG, XIANGLIN WANG, TAO CHEN,  
MARVIN GREGORY, and COREY WARD, did knowingly,  
intentionally, and unlawfully combine, conspire, and agree with each  
other and with other persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury  
to commit offenses in violation of Title 18, United States Code,  
Sections 1956 and 1957:

A. With respect to defendants LUIS DANIEL ZAMORA and  
COREY WARD, the objects of the conspiracy were to:

- (a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, with the intent to promote the carrying on of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transactions, that the property involved in the financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(A)(i); and
- (b) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transactions involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and

control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity;  
knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct  
such financial transactions, that the property involved  
in the financial transactions represented the proceeds  
of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title  
18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i);

B. With respect to defendants JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ,  
HAI WU, HE HUANG, XIANGLIN WANG and TAO CHEN,  
the objects of the conspiracy were to:

(a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial  
transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce,  
which involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful  
activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled  
substances, with the intent to promote the carrying on  
of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to  
distribute controlled substances; knowing, while  
conducting and attempting to conduct such financial  
transactions, that the property involved in the financial  
transactions represented the proceeds of some form of

unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(A)(i); and

- (b) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transactions involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transactions, that the property involved in the financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i); and
- (c) knowingly engage or attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through, or to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, such

property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.

C. With respect to defendants HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony Cardenas,” and MARVIN GREGORY, the objects of the conspiracy were to:

(a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transactions involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transactions, that the property involved in the financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form

of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i); and  
(b) knowingly engage or attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through, or to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957.

**COUNT TWO**

(18 U.S.C. § 1956(a) - Laundering Monetary Instruments)

D-1 LUIS DANIEL ZAMORA

On or about November 21, 2019, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, LUIS DANIEL ZAMORA, did

(a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, that is,

conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, with the intent to promote the carrying on of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, and

(b) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity;

all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(A)(i) and (B)(i).



**COUNT THREE**

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(a), 1957, and 2 - Laundering  
Monetary Instruments, Aiding and Abetting )

D-2 JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ  
D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ  
a/k/a “Tony Cardenas”  
D-4 HAI WU

On or about February 14, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendants, JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ, HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony Cardenas,” and HAI WU, did

(a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2; and

(b) knowingly engage or attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through, or to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

**COUNT FOUR**

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(a) and 2 - Laundering Monetary Instruments, Aiding and Abetting)

D-2 JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ  
D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ  
a/k/a “Tony Cardenas”  
D-5 HE HUANG  
D-6 XIANGLIN WANG  
D-8 MARVIN GREGORY

From on or about February 26, 2020, through on or about February 29, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the Defendants, JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ, HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony Cardenas,” HE HUANG, XIANGLIN WANG, and MARVIN GREGORY, did

(a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which

transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2; and

(b) knowingly engage or attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through, or to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

**COUNT FIVE**

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(a) and 2 - Laundering Monetary Instruments, Aiding and Abetting)

D-2 JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ  
D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ  
a/k/a “Tony Cardenas”  
D-7 TAO CHEN  
D-8 MARVIN GREGORY

From on or about March 4, 2020, through on or about March 7, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendants, JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ, HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony Cardenas,” TAO CHEN, and MARVIN GREGORY, did

(a) knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2; and

(b) knowingly engage or attempt to engage in monetary transactions by, through, or to a financial institution, affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, such property having been derived from a specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2.

**COUNT SIX**

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(a) and 2 - Laundering Monetary Instruments, Aiding and Abetting)

D-2 JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ  
D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ  
a/k/a “Tony Cardenas”

On or about March 16, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendants, JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ and HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony Cardenas,” did knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source,

ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity; knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.

**COUNT SEVEN**

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1956(a) and 2 - Laundering Monetary  
Instruments, Aiding and Abetting)

D-3 HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ

a/k/a “Tony Cardenas”

D-8 MARVIN GREGORY

D-9 COREY WARD

On or about April 15, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendants, HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, a/k/a “Tony Cardenas,” MARVIN GREGORY, and COREY WARD, did knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct a financial transaction affecting interstate and foreign commerce, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity;

knowing, while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transaction, that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.

**COUNT EIGHT**

(21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1) - Possession of Methamphetamine  
with Intent to Distribute)

**D-8 MARVIN GREGORY**

On or about December 21, 2020, in the Eastern District of Michigan, the defendant, MARVIN GREGORY, knowingly and intentionally possessed with intent to distribute a controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

It is further alleged that the controlled substance involved was 50 grams or more of methamphetamine, its salts, isomers, and salts of its isomers, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section

841(b)(1)(A)(viii).

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS**  
(18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(1), 21 U.S.C. § 853)

Upon conviction of a money laundering violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 or 1957 as alleged in Count One through Seven of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant(s) shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(1), any property, real or personal, involved in the offense, or any property traceable to such property.

Such property includes, but is not limited to:

- Seized Currency and Financial Instruments

Forfeiture Money Judgment: Such property also includes, but is not limited to, a forfeiture money judgment against the defendants in an amount to be determined, representing the total value of all property subject to forfeiture, as described herein.

Upon conviction of a controlled substance violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, as alleged in Count Eight of this



Superseding Indictment, the defendant shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(a):

- A. Any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841; and
- B. Any property, real or personal, used, or intended to be used, in any manner, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of, the violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841.

Substitute Assets: Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b)(1)-(2), each defendant shall forfeit substitute property, up to the value of the properties identified for forfeiture, if, by any act or omission of the defendant, the properties identified for forfeiture cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence; have been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party; have been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court; have been substantially diminished in value; or have been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty.

All in accordance with Title 21, United States Code, Section 853  
and Rule 32.2, Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

**This is a True Bill.**

/s/ Grand Jury Foreperson  
Grand Jury Foreperson

JULIE A. BECK  
Acting United States Attorney



/s/ Benjamin Coats  
Benjamin Coats  
Chief, Drug Task Force Unit

/s/ David J. Portelli  
David J. Portelli  
Assistant United States Attorney

Dated: February 6, 2025

United States District Court Eastern District of Michigan	<b>Criminal Case Cover Sheet</b>	<b>Case Number</b> 24-20640
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NOTE: It is the responsibility of the Assistant U.S. Attorney signing this form to complete it accurately in all respects.

	<b>Companion Case Number:</b>
This may be a companion case based upon LCrR 57.10 (b)(4) <sup>1</sup> :	<b>Judge Assigned:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>AUSA's Initials:</b> 

**Case Title:** USA v. Luis Zamora et. al.

**County where offense occurred :** Wayne

**Check One:** ☒ **Felony** ☐ **Misdemeanor** ☐ **Petty**

☐ Indictment/ ☐ Information --- no prior complaint.  
☐ Indictment/ ☐ Information --- based upon prior complaint [Case number: \_\_\_\_\_]  
☒ Indictment/ ☐ Information --- based upon LCrR 57.10 (d) [Complete Superseding section below].

**Superseding to Case No:** 24-20640

**Judge:** David M. Lawson

- ☐ Corrects errors; no additional charges or defendants.  
☐ Involves, for plea purposes, different charges or adds counts.  
☒ Embraces same subject matter but adds the additional defendants or charges below:

<u>Defendant name</u>	<u>Charges</u>	<u>Prior Complaint (if applicable)</u>
JUAN SANCHEZ ALCARAZ, HUGO MALDONADO-ORTIZ, HAI WU, HE HUANG, XIANGLIN WANG, TAO CHEN, MARVIN GREGORY, and COREY WARD	18 U.S.C. § 1957 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)	

**Please take notice that the below listed Assistant United States Attorney is the attorney of record for the above captioned case.**

February 6, 2025  
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<sup>1</sup> Companion cases are matters in which it appears that (1) substantially similar evidence will be offered at trial, or (2) the same or related parties are present, and the cases arise out of the same transaction or occurrence. Cases may be companion cases even though one of them may have already been terminated.